

SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM LLP
ONE MANHATTAN WEST
NEW YORK, NY 10001

MEMO ENDORSED

TEL: (212) 735-3000
FAX: (212) 735-2000
WWW.SKADDEN.COM

FIRM/AFFILIATE OFFICES

BOSTON
CHICAGO
HOUSTON
LOS ANGELES
PALO ALTO
WASHINGTON, D.C.
WILMINGTON

BEIJING
BRUSSELS
FRANKFURT
HONG KONG
LONDON
MOSCOW
MUNICH
PARIS
SÃO PAULO
SEOUL
SHANGHAI
SINGAPORE
TOKYO
TORONTO

DIRECT DIAL
212-735-2995
DIRECT FAX
917-777-2995
EMAIL ADDRESS
JOCELYN.STRAUBER@SKADDEN.COM

June 29, 2021

BY ECF

The Honorable Valerie E. Caproni
United States District Judge
U.S. District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square
New York, NY 10007

Re: *United States v. Velez*, 19 Cr. 862 (Deeshuntee Stevens)

Dear Judge Caproni:

I write on behalf of my client, Deeshuntee Stevens, to respectfully request permission for Mr. Stevens to travel from Rochester, NY, to New York City on June 30, for a meeting with counsel and for his in-person presentence interview by US Probation Officer Pamela Flemen on June 30 and July 1, respectively. If granted permission, Mr. Stevens would travel to and from New York City by bus, leaving Rochester on the morning of June 30, and leaving New York City on the night of July 1. Mr. Stevens would spend the night of June 30 at a hotel in Manhattan.

The United States Attorney's Office and the office of Pretrial Services have no objection to this request.

As the Court is aware, Mr. Stevens has traveled to New York City with the Court's permission for family events and legal visits on several prior occasions. Those trips were without incident.

As the Court is also aware, on June 10, 2021, Mr. Stevens pled guilty before your Honor to conspiring to distribute heroin and fentanyl in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(b)(1)(B) and 846. Your Honor permitted Mr. Stevens to remain on bail on the same conditions of release initially imposed on August 21, 2020. Those conditions include: (1) a \$100,000 personal recognizance bond, signed by Mr. Stevens and co-signed by three financially responsible persons; (2) home detention with electronic monitoring, except to attend work, to seek employment (with agreement of the office of Pretrial Services as to the specifics), and for medical visits and legal visits, at the Rochester, New York home of Jesseivett Orta, a close family friend serving as third-party custodian; and (3) travel restricted to the state of New York.

Respectfully submitted,

s/ Jocelyn E. Strauber

cc: Assistant U.S. Attorney Adam S. Hobson
Assistant U.S. Attorney Elinor L. Tarlow
U.S. Pretrial Services Officer Jonathan Lettieri
U.S. Pretrial Services Officer Jeremy Bedette

Application GRANTED.

SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Valerie Caproni", is written over the typed name.

Date: June 29, 2021

HON. VALERIE CAPRONI
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE